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TAGS: OVIP (ROBSON, JOHN E.)

SUBJECT: VISIT OF CAB CHAIRMAN JOHN E. ROBSON

REF: STATE 204259

1. RESERVATIONS MADE FOR MR. AND MRS. ROBSON AT GROSVENOR HOUSE HOTEL FROM SEPT. 8-11 INCLUSIVE AT SPECIAL GOVERNMENT RATE OF DOUBLE 24 POUNDS PER NIQHT, SINGLE IS 16 POUNDS.
2. LORD BOYD-CARPENTER IS OUT-OF-TOWN UNTIL MONDAY, BUT HIS OFFICE HAS TENTATIVELY EXTENDED HIS DINNER INVITATION TO MR. AND MRS. ROBSON FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, AT 8 P.M.
3. THE FARNBOROUGH ORGANIZING COMMITTEE STATES THAT CHAIRMAN ROBSON WAS SENT AN INVITATION TO THE AIR SHOW, INCLUDING ENTRY TICKETS FOR THE 4 TRADE DAYS SEPT. 6-9, ON MARCH 19. ON APRIL 15 IT SENT HIM AN INVITATION TO THE OFFICIAL OPENING LUNCHEON ON MONDAY, SEPT. 6. ON JUNE 21 IT SENT HIM AN INVITATION TO THE FLYING DISPLAY DINNER (BLACK TIE) AT 8 P.M., WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 8. THE COMMITTEE STATES THAT THEY HAVE NOT HAD ANV REPLY TO THE INVITATIONS.

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4. OFFICIAL OF UK DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION INQUIRED ABOUT DATES OF ROBSON'S VISIT AND WAS SORRY TO HEAR THAT ROBSON WOULD NOT ARRIVE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 8. HE INDICATED THAT MONDAY AND TUESDAY, SEPT. 6-7, WERE INCIPAL DAYS FOR MOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL VISITORS. PATRICK SHOVELTON AND GEORGE ROGERS OF DEPARTMENT OF TRADE PLANNING TO ATTEND TUESDAY, SEPT. 7, AND ANTICIPATE GERMAN AND FRENCH OFFICIALS AMONG OTHERS BEING THERE THAT DAY.

5. REQUEST FOLLOWING INFORMATION: HAS ROBSON RECEIVED ENTRY TICKETS? DOES HE WISH TO ACCEPT INVITATION TO BLACK TIE FLYING DISPLAY DINNER (WIVES ARE NOT INCLUDED)? SHOULD EMBASSY OBTAIN AND PURCHASE, IF NECESSARY, FARNBOROUGH ENTRY TICKETS FOR MRS. ROBSON AND FOR WHAT DAYS? EMBASSY WILL CONFIRM LORD BOYD-CARPENTER DINNER INVITATION.

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